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TITLE: A METHOD FOR DETECTING THE CONDITION OF AN
ORGANISM THROUGH THE MEASUREMENT OF PEPTIDES

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

ATTN: MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action, dated December 18, 2002, with the time for reply having been extended for three months, from MARCH 18, 2003, until JUNE 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 3 of this document.

Remarks begin on Page 10 of this document.